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Applicant:

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Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.181(a)

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.181(a), Applicant respectfully petitions to have the holding of abandonment of the above application withdrawn.

Applicant received the Notice of Abandonment, mailed February 21, 2002, on the above identified application. The Notice stated that this application is being abandoned in view of Applicant's failure to timely file a proper reply to the Office letter mailed August 10, 2001.

On January 2, 2002, Applicant replied to the August 10, 2001 Office Action by Filing a Notice of Appeal, along with the required fee for the Notice of Appeal and the required fee for a two-month extension of time. Enclosed is a copy of our reply,

including our transmittal form with its Certificate of Mailing; our Fee Transmittal Form with its Certificate of Mailing; our Notice of Appeal with its Certificate of Mailing; the check stub for the required fees; and a copy of our return postcard that was sent with our reply. According to our records, we have not received the postcard from the United States Patent and Trademark Office with the United States Patent and Trademark Office's stamp.

Applicant respectfully requests the withdrawal of the Notice of Abandonment, the entrance of the Notice of Appeal and the setting of the two-month time period within which to file our Appeal Brief.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: MARCH 1, 2002

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